BENEFITS OF LEASH LAWS

- ♦ Keep your dog safe and injury free. By restraining your pet from darting into traffic, eliminating injuries and veterinary bills.
- ◆ Be a good neighbor and control your pet. Keep your pet from trespassing or being destructive to other people's property.
- ♦ Restrain your pet! Prevent your pet from jumping up on children or adults.
- ◆ Don't lose your pet! Keep your pet on a leash attached to a collar with a license and identification on it.
- ♦ Protect wildlife and animals. Keep your pet from trampling over wildlife and from chasing animals such as deer. It is the best way to protect wildlife and animals, and your pet too!



SAINT PAUL LEASH LAW Use it.

Keep your dog leashed. Make it a Habit.

CONTACTS

EMERGENCY	911
Animal Control	651-266-1100
Humane Society	651-645-7387
24 hour Emergency Clinic	651-293-1800
Park Security	651-772-6181



DOG ORDINANCES

Sec. 170.06. General conduct.

Animals restricted. Save and except upon special permission of the director, no quadruped or other animal except those placed in the park by the authority of the director, or horses with the police horse patrol while in performance of their duty, and excepting dogs accompanying their owners or other persons having charge thereof and restrained by a chain or leash, shall be conducted into, ridden or driven in the park or parkways or designated recreation areas, or be allowed to remain therein. A dog may be unrestrained by a leash or chain in an area of the city parks system which has been designated and posted as an off-leash dog area, subject to the rules and regulations for such areas.

Sec. 200.05. Running at large.

The license holder, owner or keeper of any dog shall be responsible for the effective restraint of such dog and shall not permit the dog to run at



large. Any dog which is not effectively contained within a fenced area, or any dog which is on any unfenced area or lot abutting a street, alley, public park, school grounds or public place without being effectively restrained by chain or leash from moving beyond such unfenced area or lot, or any dog on any street, public park, school grounds or public place without being effectively restrained by chain or leash not exceeding six (6) feet in length, shall be deemed to be running at large.

Sec. 200.09. Cleaning up litter.

- (a) The owner of any dog or any person having the custody or control of any dog shall be responsible for cleaning up any feces of the animal and disposing of such feces in a sanitary manner.
- (b) It is unlawful for any person owning, keeping or harboring a dog to cause or permit said dog to be on property, public or private, not owned or possessed by such person without having in his/her immediate possession a device for the removal of feces and depository for the transmission of excrement to a proper receptacle located on the property owned or possessed by such person.

Statute 346.57 Dogs and cats in motor vehicles.

Subdivision 1. **Unattended dogs or cats.** A person may not leave a dog or a cat unattended in a standing or parked motor vehicle in a manner that endangers the dog's or cat's health or safety.

SAINT PAUL OFF-LEASH DOG AREAS

Arlington/Arkwright Off-Leash Dog Area:

Open daily from sunrise to sunset, the park is located on the corner of Arlington and Arkwright. Approximately 4.5 acres, this long rectangular park includes wooded trails, open space and a large bowl-shaped slope. The park is completely fenced, with multiple access points and ample parking. Nestled in a residential neighborhood, this park offers people and pets an opportunity to engage in social interaction and play.

High Bridge Off-Leash Dog Area:

The High Bridge Dog Park is a 7-acre, former coal power plant site that was given to the City for operation as a dogpark following clean-up in May 2012. Thanks to a land-use agreement with Xcel Energy/NSP-Minnesota, the City of Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Department operates the High Bridge Dog Park. The prime property is located just south of Shepard Road, west of Upper Landing, north of the River, and just beneath the Smith Ave High Bridge.

Lowertown Dog Walk Area:

The Lowertown Dog Walk Area is located on the north/east corner of Broadway and 5th St. – just up the street from the Farmer's Market.

This area has been designated by Parks and Recreation as an acceptable site for downtown residents to use as an off-leash dog walk area. The site is now completely fenced. Trash receptacles are available.

Please respect the local residents by not parking in their spaces.

ENFORCEMENT

City Council has authorized Park Security
Officers to issue citations for violations of the
City's dog ordinance- specifically, dogs offleash and failure to clean up after your dog. Park
Security Officers are monitoring parks,
educating citizens and issuing citations – when
necessary for dog ordinance violations on City
park property. Possible penalties include:

- ♦ Monetary fine \$108.00 1st offense
- ♦ Public land feces clean up
- ♦ Court appearance

SAINT PAUL DOG ORDINANCE QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

- ALL dogs on parkland must be on a leash unless in a designated off-leash area.
- Leash must be 6 feet or less in length.
- Owners must carry something to clean up their dog's feces.
- Dogs are permitted to run at large at the Arlington/Arkwright Off-leash Dog Area and High Bridge Off-leash Dog Area.
- Ordinance is in effect 24 hours a day.
- Ordinance is in effect for all City parkland property.
- Pets of any kind are not allowed on Como Park Zoo and Conservatory grounds except for service animals.

METRO OFF - LEASH DOG AREAS

Several other communities around Saint Paul also offer off-leash recreation opportunities. We encourage you to take advantage of these other sites. Remember – some cities, like Minneapolis require a permit.

MINNEAPOLIS (permit required)

Columbia Park - *St. Anthony Parkway off Central Ave. (across from the training center).*

Franklin Terrace - 925 Franklin Terrace. (Franklin Terrace and 30th Ave. S.)

Lake of the Isles - 2845 East Lake of the Isles Parkway. (Lake of the Isles Pkwy and W. 28th St.)

Minnehaha Park -5399 S. Minnehaha (Minnehaha and 54th St.)

RAMSEY COUNTY

Maplewood -Battle Creek (near Lower Afton and McKnight)

Roseville -Woodview (Larpenteur Ave. just east of Dale St.)

Shoreview -Rice Creek (South of County Rd. J on Lexington Ave.)

SOUTH ST. PAUL (permit required) **Kaposia Landing** Off-Leash Dog Area 800 Bryant Ave., South St. Paul

WOODBURY

Dale Rd. Open Space - Located at 11664 Dale Road, approximately three-fourths of a mile east of Cottage Grove Drive on the north side of Dale Road



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GUIDELINES FOR OFF-LEASH RECREATION IN SAINT PAUL PARKS







PARKWATCH 651-646-3535

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